

Thomas Hickman House
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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

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Location: New Franklin vicinity, Howard County, Missouri

HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

The following information was recorded by Alexander Piaget and Charles van Ravenswaay at the time the photograph was taken:

Built ca. 1821.

One story brick house; seems to be the oldest brick building to survive in central Missouri. Built by a leading merchant of Old Franklin who considered the site of Franklin on the edge of the river bottom to be dangerous and unhealthy.

The front doorway had a fanlight surrounded by a door casing of finely reeded trim; the strip between the door and the fanlight is decorated with alternate bands of reeding and incised rosettes. The door is not original. Altered in 1941 (fanlight, door and casing removed).

PROJECT INFORMATION

The Piaget-van Ravenswaay Survey consists of a number of photographs, primarily of sites and structures in Missouri, which were taken before 1938 by Alexander Piaget and after that by Paul Piaget, both in conjunction with Charles van Ravenswaay. Photographs of buildings were incorporated into the HABS collection in 1985 by Laura Rupp and in 1986 by Deborah Fulton, HABS historians. A master list is available in the [REDACTED] records for MO-1800.